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SUBJECT: MAURITIAN OPPOSITION LEADER LEAVES MADAGASCAR

REF: ANTANANARIVO 1175

1. MAURITIAN OPPOSITION LEADER PAUL BERENGER LEFT MADAGASCAR JUNE 28 AFTER FOUR-DAY STAY, DURING WHICH HE WAS GIVEN VIP TREATMENT AND RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT RATSIRAKA. JUST BEFORE DEPARTURE HE GAVE INTERVIEW TO TARATRA, OFFICIAL PRESS AGENCY, WHICH WAS PRINTED IN JUNE 29 PRESS BULLETIN.

2. ACCORDING TO BERENGER, MAURITIAN PRIME MINISTER RAMGOOLAM WAS TO HAVE HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE ON JUNE 27 DURING WHICH IT WAS THOUGHT HE MIGHT DEAL WITH POSSIBILITY OF MAURITIUS BECOMING A REPUBLIC, AN EVENT WHICH WOULD HASTEN ADVENT OF ELECTIONS. IF MAURITIAN GOVERNMENT WERE TO BACK AWAY FROM MOVEMENT TOWARD REPUBLIC, THEN "MORE PATIENCE WOULD BE NECESSARY."

3. BERENGER ALSO SAID LOW PRICE OF SUGAR PRODUCED
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UNSATISFACTORY ECONOMIC SITUATION AND THIS PLUS PREVIOUSLY-CITED POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS COULD FORESHADOW CHANGES IN THE OVERALL SITUATION OF MAURITIUS.

4. ON INDIAN OCEAN, BERENGER SAID HE STILL WANTED TO RESUME HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH THE LEADERS OF PROGRESSIVE FORCES AND PARTIES AND TO COORDINATE THE ACTIONS OF THE

FIVE PROGRESSIVE COUNTRIES OF THE ZONE FOR THE HOLDING
OF A CONFERENCE. SUCH A CONFERENCE COULD BE HELD IN
ANTANANARIVO OR IN THE SEYCHELLES, WHOSE NEW LEADERS HAD
ALREADY SENT OUT AN INVITATION TO THIS EFFECT. BARRETT

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